

## Mary Jenney Wilber, 86



Mary Jenney Wilber (Mimi), 86, a longtime Duxbury resident, died on Monday, April 10 after an eight-year battle with Alzheimer's disease. She was born June 21, 1930 to Leonard and Ruth (Allen) Jenney of Newton, MA. She graduated from Walnut Hill School in 1948 and received a bachelor of science degree in political science from Wellesley College in 1952.

Mary met her late husband Grant F. Wilber, Jr. of Drexel Hill, PA on a blind date and married him after he proposed on the Isle of Shoals where she was "summering" as a "Relish Girl" at the historic hotel. Mary and Grant were married in Newton on June 16, 1951. They relocated to Duxbury, built a home on Indian Trail and started their family.

Mary devoted her life to family, friends and community. She was a talented artist, cartoonist and sailor. She loved the beach, boating, her dogs, history and maps. She was a Girl Scout leader, superintendent of Sunday school at Pilgrim Church and a cartoonist for The Duxbury Clipper. She served as a volunteer for 35 years for the Jordan Hospital Club in Plymouth. Mary also served as president and later founded and ran the Jordan Hospital craft cart. Every Wednesday for 25 years she visited the sick and hurting while sharing crafts, prayers and encouragement.

A near-death experience in 1975 led her to a lifelong personal faith in Jesus Christ. She was a longtime member and faithful supporter of "Journey Community of Faith" in Duxbury where she taught Sunday School, hosted Bible studies and was a pillar of prayer and faith to those knew her.

Mary is survived by her daughter, Elizabeth (Wilber) Woods and her husband David Woods of Halifax, MA; her son, David J. Wilber and his wife Peggy (Moorehead) Wilber of Colorado Springs, CO and her son Jonathan T. Wilber and his wife Mary (Debortoli) Wilber of Plymouth. Mary leaves her beloved grandchildren and their families: Christine (Woods) Redding and her husband Jim Redding, their children Danielle and Elijah; Joshua Woods and his wife Amy (Amormino) Woods and their children Grant, Jayton and Gibson; Rebecca Wilber and Michael Wilber; Travis Wilber and Sheri Holden and their children Ryland and Reid, Nathan Wilber, Katie (Wilber) Spinola and her husband Iolando Spinola, Jenney Wilber and Samuel Wilber.

Visitation was held on Friday, April 14 at Shepherds Funeral Home, 216 Main St., Kingston. A memorial service was held April 15 at Shepherds Funeral Home. A private family graveside interment at Mayflower Cemetery, Duxbury followed.

Memorial donations may be made to the Jordan Hospital Club, Inc., PO Box 1727, Plymouth, MA 02362. Please include Mary's name. For online condolences, visit [shepherdfuneralhome.com](http://shepherdfuneralhome.com).